**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1. A combination hat and integral storage pouch comprising:

a crown having a top portion including first and second layers joined together, the second layer having a closure means extending along a longitudinal midline from one end to another end thereof, the first and second layers defining a space therebetween to store a portion of the hat, and a sidewall extending essentially perpendicularly from the first and second layers, and sized to fit a wearer's head; and,

a brim extending outwardly from the crown and attached thereto.

2. The combination hat and integral storage pouch of claim 1, wherein the closure means is a zipper.

3. The combination hat and integral storage pouch of claim 1, wherein the closure means are snaps, buttons, or releasable hook and eye fastening tape.

4. The combination hat and integral storage pouch of claim 2, wherein the first and second layers are essentially oval, and the closure means is a zipper.

5. The combination hat and integral storage pouch of claim 2, wherein the second layer is inside the hat when the hat is placed on a wearer's head.

6. The combination hat and integral storage pouch of claim 5, wherein the first and second layers are turned inside out, and the remainder of the crown and brim are inserted into the space defined by the first and second layers.